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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 25, 2004 for the above-captioned application. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect the claims of Invention Group I (claims 1-19, 37-75, 113-131 and 149-164), together with the following species:

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First Species: those where post-stabilization is not required.

Second Species: peptide epitopes as the joining element

Third Species:

leucine zippers as the structural element

Fourth Species: peptide functional elements as exemplified in Table 11 in the application; and

Fifth Species: embodiments where nanostructure capping is not required.

Claims 1, 2, 4-7, 9-14, 16-18, 38, 40-48, and 70-73 are generic with respect to the elected species.

This election is made without traverse.

Respectfully Submitted,

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